



## **CITY OF DAHLONEGA**

### **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES JULY 6, 2015**

The Dahlongega City Council met in regular session on Monday, July 6, 2015 at City Hall. Members in attendance were Roman Gaddis, Michael Clemons, Bruce Hoffman, Terry Peters, Sam Norton and Mitchell Ridley. City Manager Bill Schmid was in attendance. City Attorney Doug Parks was also in attendance. Mayor Gary McCullough called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Prayer was led by City Manager Bill Schmid and the Pledge to the American Flag was led by Councilman Roman Gaddis.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Mayor McCullough asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Councilman Hoffman made the motion to approve the agenda. Councilman Peters seconded. Mayor McCullough asked for all in favor to say aye, all opposed like sign. The motion carried unanimously. Voting for the motion were Councilman Gaddis, Councilman Clemons, Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Peters, Councilman Norton, and Councilman Ridley. No Councilman voted against the motion.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

No one spoke

#### **PUBLIC HEARING: PI KAPPA PHI-JOSEPH SAINT-REZONING OF B2 TO PUD**

Mr. Joseph Saint was in attendance for a rezoning hearing. Mr. Saint informed the Mayor and Council that he was withdrawing his application for rezoning.

#### **CITIZENS:**

Mayor McCullough asked for a motion to approve the First Night Dahlongega Event. Councilman Hoffman made the motion to approve the First Night Dahlongega Event. Councilman Norton seconded the motion but asked for discussion. Councilman Norton asked Mr. Slavicek who was in attendance, what time were they considering closing the Square. Mr. Slavicek stated starting at 5:00pm. Councilman Norton suggested giving the business owners until 6:00 pm. Mr. Slavicek stated that was fine. Councilman Clemons expressed his concerns about closing parking for the businesses that are on or near the Square that will be open. After further discussion Mayor McCullough reminded the Council there was a motion on the floor. Mayor McCullough asked for all in favor, say aye, all opposed like sign. The motion carried by a five (5) to one (1) vote. Voting for the motion were Councilman Gaddis, Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Peters, Councilman Norton, and Councilman Ridley. Councilman Clemons voted against the motion.

Mayor McCullough asked for a motion to approve the wine tasting license for Crane Creek Vineyards. Councilman Norton made the motion. Councilman Clemons seconded the motion. Mayor McCullough asked for all in favor say aye, all opposed like sign. The motion carried unanimously. Voting for the motion were Councilman Gaddis, Councilman Clemons, Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Peters, Councilman Norton, and Councilman Ridley. No Councilman voted against the motion.

**MINUTE APPROVAL:**

Mayor McCullough asked for a motion to approve the minutes of June 1, 2015. Councilman Clemons made the motion to approve the June 1, 2015 minutes. Councilman Peters seconded the motion. Mayor McCullough asked for any corrections, additions, comments or questions. Hearing none, Mayor McCullough asked for all in favor say aye, all opposed like sign. The motion was carried unanimously. Voting for the motion were Councilman Gaddis, Councilman Clemons, Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Peters, Councilman Norton, and Councilman Ridley. No Councilman voted against the motion.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Councilman Hoffman made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda:

GMEBS-Retirement Plan-Amendment

Bond Refinance

Councilman Peters seconded the motion. Mayor McCullough asked for all in favor, say aye, all opposed like sign. The motion was carried unanimously. Voting for the motion were Councilman Gaddis, Councilman Clemons, Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Peters, Councilman Norton, and Councilman Ridley. No Councilman voted against the motion.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Mayor McCullough informed the Council that the Department Reports had been submitted. Mayor McCullough informed the Council that DDA Director Joel Cordle was on a panel about music at the recent GMA Conference and how it is helping other Squares like Dahlonge's around the State. Mayor McCullough thanked Mr. Cordle for representing the City of Dahlonge. Councilman Hoffman inquired on an HPC matter with Corkscrew Café'. Councilman Hoffman asked if the applicant had submitted the paperwork for an appeal hearing. City Manager Bill Schmid informed the Council they have not applied for an appeal hearing. City Manager Bill Schmid also informed the Council that the applicant has fifteen (15) days from his receipt of notice to appeal and they are still within the fifteen (15) days' time frame.

**ORDINANCES:**

There were no new Ordinances

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Mayor McCullough asked for a motion to approve the 2015-10 Budget Amendment for Mechanicsville Road Resurfacing. Councilman Peters made the motion. Councilman Norton seconded the motion. Mayor McCullough asked for any comments or questions. Hearing none, Mayor McCullough asked for all in favor say aye, all opposed like sign. The motion was carried unanimously. Voting for the motion were Councilman Gaddis, Councilman Clemons, Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Peters, Councilman Norton, and Councilman Ridley. No Councilman voted against it.

**CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:**

City Manager Bill Schmid informed the Mayor and Council that the GMEBS-Retirement-Defined Contribution Plan related to a previous employee and there is a required change to the plan. Councilman Norton made the motion to make the required change to the GMEBS-Retirement-Defined

Contribution Plan. Councilman Gaddis seconded the motion. Mayor McCullough asked for any further discussion. Hearing none, Mayor McCullough asked for all in favor say aye, all opposed like sign. The motion carried unanimously. Voting for the motion were Councilman Gaddis, Councilman Clemons, Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Peters, Councilman Norton, and Councilman Ridley. No Councilman voted against the motion.

City Manager Bill Schmid informed the Mayor and Council that the ordinance in their packet is an information only item. City Manager Bill Schmid also informed the Mayor and Council that he is doing a review of the water and sewer rates and tap fees. This also includes revisiting the master metering program. Mayor and Council inquired if this would have cause any problems for projects already in progress in the City now. City Manager Bill Schmid informed the Council that these projects would be grandfathered in and the recommendation was still under development.

**MAYOR COMMENTS:**

Mayor Gary McCullough thanked the Council and City Manager Bill Schmid for attending the GMA Convention in Savannah.

**CITY ATTORNEY COMMENTS:**

City Attorney Doug Parks gave the Mayor and Council an update on the Fire Station case with Lumpkin County.

**CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilman Norton thanked the Chamber of Commerce for doing a wonderful job with the Fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) of July festivities.

Councilman Hoffman inquired if he could get a definition on what a compact car was supposed to be. City Manager Bill Schmid informed the Council he had the draft definition and could provide it at the July 16, 2015 Work Session.

Mayor McCullough asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Gaddis made the motion to adjourn. Councilman Peters seconded the motion. Mayor McCullough asked for all in favor say aye, all opposed like sign. The motion carried unanimously. Voting for the motion were Councilman Gaddis, Councilman Clemons, Councilman Hoffman, Councilman Peters, Councilman Norton, and Councilman Ridley. No Councilman voted against the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

APPROVED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2015

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Gary McCullough, Mayor

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Angela R. Wirth, City Clerk